

**MISSOURI COURT OF APPEALS  
WESTERN DISTRICT**

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COMPLETE TITLE OF CASE:

STATE OF MISSOURI,

Respondent

v.

HARRELL L. JOHNSON.

Appellant

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DOCKET NUMBER WD70392

DATE: May 25, 2010

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Appeal From:

Circuit Court of Jackson County, MO  
The Honorable John M. Torrence, Judge

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Appellate Judges:

Division Four: Thomas H. Newton, C.J., James Edward Welsh and Gary D. Witt, JJ.

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**MISSOURI APPELLATE COURT OPINION SUMMARY  
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HARRELL L. JOHNSON, Appellant**

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Jackson County

Before Division Four Judges: Thomas H. Newton, C.J., James Edward Welsh and Gary D. Witt, JJ.

Harrell Johnson appeals the circuit court's judgment convicting him of murder in the first degree. Johnson contends that the evidence was insufficient to support a finding of guilt beyond a reasonable doubt for murder in the first degree because the State failed to produce evidence that Johnson knowingly caused Erica Michelle Marie Green's death after deliberation upon the matter.

**AFFIRMED.**

**Division Four holds:**

The evidence was sufficient to support a finding of guilt beyond a reasonable doubt for murder in the first degree because the State produced evidence that Johnson knowingly caused Erica's death after deliberation upon the matter. Sufficient evidence supported a finding that Johnson knowingly caused Erica's death by a closed head injury after deliberation upon the matter.

**Opinion by: James Edward Welsh, Judge**

May 25, 2010

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